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SUBJ: BRAZILIAN PERM REP'S COMMENTS ON DEVELOPMENTS
IN PORTUGUESE AFRICA

1. BRAZILIAN PERM REP FRAZAO, AT HIS REQUEST, CALLED ON
AMB. SCALI MAY 29, TO DISCUSS EVOLVING SITUATION IN
PORTUGAL'S AFRICAN TERRITORIES. FRAZAO WAS PARTICULARLY
CONCERNED OVER FUTURE OF CAPE VERDE ISLANDS; WOULD THEY BE
ABSORBED INTO AN INDEPENDENT GUINEA (BISSAU)? COULD
PORTUGAL RETAIN THEM FOR THEIR KEY STRATEGIC VALUE?
FRAZAO ALSO WAS CONCERNED WITH THE DANGER OF A RADICAL
INDEPENDENT MOZAMBIQUE ENDANGERING PEACE IN THE
INDIAN OCEAN.

2. FRAZAO SAID THAT HE THOUGHT PORTUGUESE FONMIN SOARES WOULD
BE VISITING THE UN "SOON", TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COMITE OF 24.
ACCORDING TO FRAZAO, SOARES IS INTERESTED IN APPEALING
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TO "MODERATE" AFRICANS, SUCH AS SENEGAL, IVORY COAST,

NIGERIA AND ZAIRE AND ISOLATING THE "RADICALS", LED BY TANZANIA, ZAMBIA, ALGERIA AND GUINEA.

3. FRAZAO EMPHASIZED HIS CONCERN OVER THE ENTIRE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. AMBASSADOR SCALI INFORMED FRAZAO THAT WE WERE FOLLOWING THE SITUATION CLOSELY, THAT WE HAD LITTLE INFORMATION BEYOND THAT DISCUSSED, AND THAT WE WOULD KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE BRAZILIANS.

4. COMMENT: FRAZAO SEEMED TO BE FEELING US OUT CAREFULLY IN EFFORT DETERMINE TO WHAT DEGREE USG MIGHT WISH TO BECOME INVOLVED IN IMBROGLIO OF NEGOTIATIONS. FINDING US GENERALLY UNRECEPTIVE IN THIS REGARD, HE CHOSE NOT TO PERSEVERE WITH ANY CONCRETE REQUEST OR SUGGESTION.
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